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SUBJECT: 63RD ECOSOC: INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON ILLICIT
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REF: A. GENEVA 6122; B. LONDON 12060;
C. STATE 166499; D. BONN 22821

1. DEPT. IS VERY MUCH CONCERNED AT REPORT (REF A) THAT
EC-9 - MOVING TOWARD OPPOSITION TO CONVENING A DIPLOMATIC
CONFERENCE AS PREMATURE. THIS POSITION WOULD BE REVERSAL
OF VIEWS OF UK, BELGIUM, NETHERLANDS, AS STATED IN WORKING

GROUP, AND OF FRG, AS GIVEN TO EMBASSY (REF D). IF TRUE, IT COULD DAMAGE US INITIATIVE FOR INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT. WE ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED AT INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN UK ECOSOC DEL. WE READ HMG VIEWS (REF B) AS SOMEWHAT MORE FLEXIBLE IN VIEW OF EMPHASIS PLACED ON EXPANSION OF WORKING GROUP WHICH US SUPPORTS AND WHICH WE BELIEVE ACHIEVABLE.

2. POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO RAISE THIS ISSUE AT HIGHEST LEVEL NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE SUPPORT FOR PRIMARY US OBJECTIVE, I.E., A FIRM DECISION BY ECOSOC TO CONVENE DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE AT A SPECIFIC, EARLY DATE. WE CAN AGREE THAT PREPARATORY WORK SHOULD BE DONE BY EXPANDED WORKING GROUP OF,

SAY, 36 MEMBERS. (LDC'S OPPOSE OPEN-ENDED GROUP.) IF NECESSARY, WE CAN AGREE TO SCHEDULE CONFERENCE IN LATE 1978 OR EARLY 1979.

3. MATTER IS URGENT, AS ECOSOC WILL TAKE THIS ISSUE UP NEXT WEEK AND US MAY BE REQUIRED TO INTRODUCE ITS RESOLUTION BY TUESDAY, JULY 26.

4. FOR BRUSSELS: AS GOB HAS BEEN WILLING TO SUPPORT CONVENING DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE AND IS NOW PRESIDENT OF 9, WE WOULD HOPE IT COULD EXERCISE CONSTRUCTIVE LEADERSHIP. VANCE

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